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TITLE: VIDEO DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND VIDEO DISTRIBUTION  
METHOD USING A LINK LIST WHICH ASSOCIATES VIDEO DATA  
WITH A DISTRIBUTION LIST THAT DEFINES A DISTRIBUTION  
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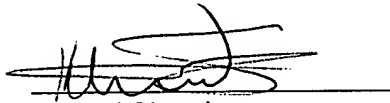
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